GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3941
ANSWERED ON:13.12.2001
SUBJECT IRREGULARITIES IN PURCHASE OF CNG COMPRESSORS
RENUKA CHOWDHURY;SURESH RAMRAO JADHAV (PATIL);SUSHIL KUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether representations have been received from Members of Parliament for an inquiry into the deals for purchasing of compressors for CNG filling stations in Delhi by the Indraprastha Gas Limited;

(b) if so, the details of allegations of irregularities made there against; and

(c) the action taken by the Government against the erring officials?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas and Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs (SHR SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) A letter in this regard was received from an Hon`ble Member of Parliament.

(b) & (c) The allegations related to mismanagement, greed and corruption in Indraprastha Gas Limited (IGL) particularly in contracts for supply of compressors. IGL is not a Government Company though the Ministry has been monitoring the progress of installation of compressors to fulfill the commitments made to the Supreme Court. IGL being a joint venture of Gas Authority of India Limited (GAIL), Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) and Delhi Government, procures compressors as per its own rules and no Government approval is required. The compressors are being purchased by them on tender basis, subject to technical, financial and commercial suitability of bids received and with the approval of Board of IGL. The Hon`ble Member has been informed about the position.